

Respiratory Illness Report

Week Ending February 25, 2023

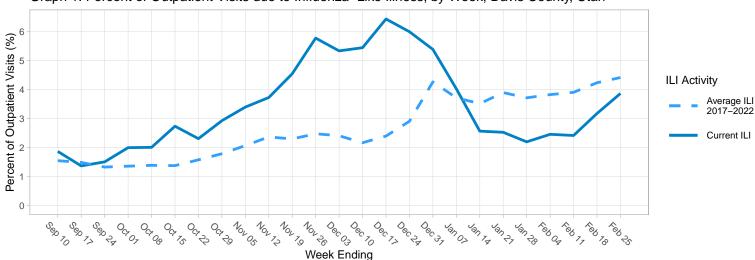
Weekly Summary

Davis County continues to see steady increases in COVID-19-related emergency department visits. This has been a trend seen through most of February. Despite this increase, it is still below previous peaks. Outpatient visits in Davis County due to Influenza-like illness (ILI) have also continued to increase and are approaching the past 5-year average. ILI activity in Davis County is currently classified as "moderate." The only other jurisdiction with this designation is Bear River (which comprises Box Elder, Cache, and Rich counties). No jurisdictions are currently classified as "high."

Influenza activity is still low in Utah, but that could change as multiple strains continue to circulate in the state. H1 and B Influenza viruses remain low but are proportionally higher now than earlier in the season.

Influenza-Like Illness

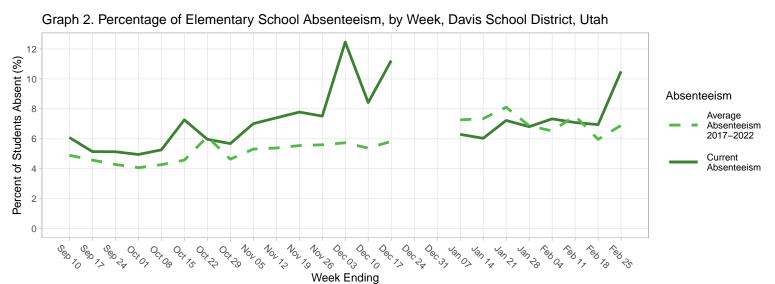
Graph 1 displays the weekly percentage of outpatient visits due to Influenza-like illness (ILI). For comparison, the dashed line shows the previous 5-year average (2017-2022) of ILI activity.



Graph 1. Percent of Outpatient Visits due to Influenza-Like Illness, by Week, Davis County, Utah

School Absenteeism

Graph 2 displays the weekly percentage of elementary school absenteeism in Davis School District. For comparison, the dashed line shows the previous 5-year average (2017-2022) of elementary school absenteeism.



Emergency Department Visits

Graph 3 displays the rolling 7 day average of the percent of emergency department (ED) visits due to COVID-19, Influenza, and Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV). These data are obtained from syndromic surveillance and only consider the diagnosis discharge codes for each condition. Table 1 presents two data points for each virus: the current trend of ED visits for each virus (increasing, decreasing, or no change), and the count of ED visits during that time frame.

Graph 3. Percent of ED Visits due to COVID-19, Influenza, & RSV, Rolling 7-day Average, Davis County, Utah

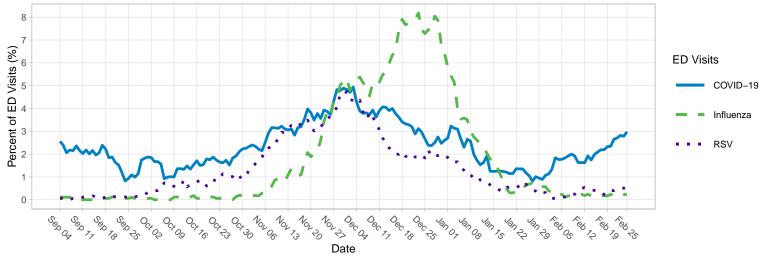
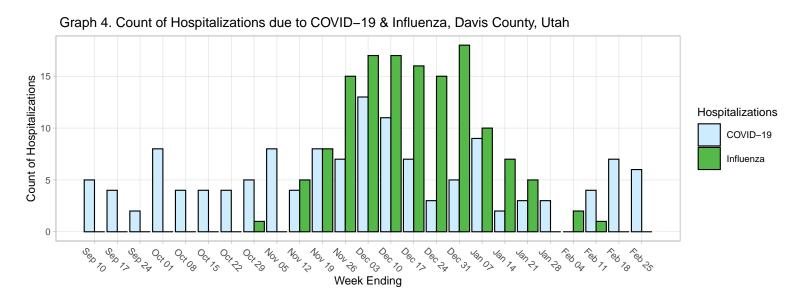


Table 1: Recent Trends of ED Visits, Davis County, Utah, for Week Ending Feb 25, 2023

Virus	Trend	Count of ED Visits
COVID-19	Increasing (last 14 days)	91 (last 14 days)
Influenza	Plateau/no trend (last 14 days)	7 (last 14 days)
RSV	Plateau/no trend (last 14 days)	12 (last 14 days)

Hospitalizations

Graph 4 displays the weekly count of hospitalizations due to COVID-19 and Influenza.



Vaccine Information

Influenza: Everyone age 6 months and older should receive an Influenza vaccine by the end of October every year.

COVID-19: CDC recommends primary vaccines for everyone ages 6 months and over. The bivalent booster is available for ages 5 and over. Children ages 6 months through 5 years may receive a bivalent booster if they complete the Moderna 2-dose primary series; those completing a Pfizer primary series may receive a Pfizer bivalent vaccine as a third primary dose.